FIO Core Elements

- 1. Enable women to personalize their risk for HIV and other STDs and identify gender-related barriers to safer sex.
- 2. Encourage women to prioritize safer sex.
- 3. Reinforce women's sexual and relationship rights.
- 4. Affirm a positive view of women's sexuality and safer sex.
- 5. Emphasize that women have choices in how to protect themselves.
- 6. Provide accurate information about HIV/STD risk and testing.
- 7. Build skills for safer sex.
- 8. Teach women how to address negative reactions and resistance to safer sex, as well as to recognize and deal with relationship violence and other forms of abuse.

